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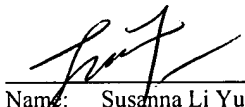
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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

Applicant hereby brings attention to the Examiner that the following references were cited in an International Search Report dated September 9, 2003: US6258368; US4661523; WO98/56886; US5929016; EP1126014; WO94/27436; FR2622397 and DE10054020. A copy of the International

Search Report is enclosed. Since the International Search Report is in English, no English translation of the listed foreign references is required, pursuant to MPEP §609(A)3. DT01 Rec'd PCT/PTC 17 DEC 2004

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501257.

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	6258368	7/10/2001	Beerse et al.			
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